

GASCONADE COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

AUGUST 12, 2021

The Gasconade County Commission met with Presiding Commissioner Larry Miskel at the Courthouse beginning with Pledge of Allegiance. Attendance: Commissioner Jerry Lairmore, Present; Commissioner Jim Holland, Absent; Presiding Commissioner Larry Miskel, Present.

PRIOR MINUTES

Commissioner Jerry Lairmore made a motion to approve prior commission minutes dated Aug. 5, 2021, 8:30 a.m. Presiding Commissioner Larry Miskel seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Jerry Lairmore (Yes), Jim Holland (Absent), Larry Miskel (Yes).

WARRANTS FOR PAYMENT

Commissioner Jerry Lairmore made a motion to approve the following items: warrants for payment 117391 through 117494. Presiding Commissioner Larry Miskel seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Jerry Lairmore (Yes), Jim Holland (Absent), Larry Miskel (Yes).

ROAD CONCERNS AND COMPLAINTS

Commissioner Lairmore said county roads are being bladed even though it is very dry, but the dept.

is doing a good job; there are still complaints about the windrows narrowing the roads too much, but he points out how important it is for the county to have the right-of-way to widen them. He also mentioned that Holzschuh road chip and seal has been done by Bink's Trucking and Excavating; the Frene Creek road chip and seal is supposed to be done this month.

Four consent forms were received for file all on Liske road; they were from Shawn Groppe, Ben Steiner and Joel Steiner, Carol M. Starke, Dean Jasper and Dea (Sally) Silber.

Clerk Lietzow had received an email from Kim Tipton, MoDOT asking if the county is going to be able to make a financial commitment to the BRO project for approximately \$18,000; taking into consideration the soft match credit trade just made for \$150,000, the county would still be short by that amount and Commission agreed there is money in the budget to cover that even if it is this year.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Presiding Commissioner Miskel mentioned he will attend a Hazard Mitigation policy meeting with MRPC via ZOOM on Aug. 31; this process must be completed by Sept. 30 in order for the county to qualify for any federal funds available. Commissioner Lairmore said he too

will attend a ZOOM meeting today with MRPC as part of the Transp. Advisory Committee; all 3 members will be present as some priority decisions will be made today.

EMD Clyde Zelch was in session this morning, welcomed back by the Commission after his brief departure for health reasons, and he is actively working on getting firm commitments from every position needing to be filled for the upcoming Callaway Nuclear Power Plant drill; it is referred to as a dress rehearsal, in preparation for the official graded drill in September. He is missing someone in the position of EMS, so Commission gave him the name of someone to call that serves on the Hermann Ambulance board of directors. Commissioner Lairmore said the most important thing to do at the drill is to have discussion throughout the drill between the various agencies represented, as that is what those in charge of grading have always wanted to see and hear. Commission decided since the day of the drill coincides with their session day, they will start session at 8:00 am since the drill will likely not require their presence until 9:00 am.

Commission was notified by Mike Langille, local photographer, that while he had given permission for the county to use his photo of the Courthouse on the county website, he had not been contacted about

using it for other purposes, such as the recent flyer printed that offered information on the usetax question just placed before the voters. Both Commissioners' Lairmore and Miskel said since they did not design the flyer it never occurred to them about the use of the photo; as far as they knew, the photo had not been used by the county in any other manner and further, they were not even aware that it was copyrighted. They will not use it going forward, but as they understand, it can remain on the website; Mr. Langille will receive a letter in response accordingly.

Commission was given a copy of the order issued by Circuit Judge Ike Lamke effective Aug. 9, 2021, stating all persons entering the court clerk's offices and courtrooms of the courthouse shall comply with the physical directives/court proceedings as set out, including Juvenile and Municipal divisions; Presiding Commissioner Miskel said the same rules will apply throughout the Courthouse for county employees and officials since this was the procedures followed throughout the months of the COVID-19 pandemic and all county offices within the building will be notified accordingly. Director Zelch pointed out that during the drill next week, there will be approx. 30 people in the EOC participating, and he will make it clear that anyone wanting

to wear a mask may do so and anyone not wanting to will not be forced to, except in the common areas as detailed.

Treasurer Feagan presented Commission with the monthly sales tax report showing the highest numbers received in August since keeping track in 2016; he also decided to start tracking the road and bridge motor fuel tax numbers which include CART funds and vehicle fee increase, and went back to 2018 and forward to current, just for informational purposes.

Clerk Lietzow started inquiring with Dept. of Revenue as to what documents are required from the county to implement the usetax; just this morning before session, she received a checklist detailing what needs to be sent and if it is received by them by Aug. 16, it can be effective Oct. 1, rather than Jan. 1, so that is the goal. She also mentioned, Maciejewski's will be here with the new water fountains to install on Thursday morning at 8:00, which everyone is looking forward to.

REPORT OF FEES

Commission reviews report of fees for July 2021, from Pamela R. Greunke, Circuit Clerk and Recorder of Deeds for Divisions 1, 2 and 4 in the following amounts:

Recording \$7307.90

Dom Viol \$25.00
CERF \$2688.00
Rec Records Reten... \$2251.96
Record Techn..... \$473.75
Clerk fees..... \$543.40
County fees..... \$348.86
Incarc/medcl costs..... \$100.00
LETf \$40.00
PATF \$50.29
Fines \$1828.00
Sheriff's fees/mileage \$149.86
Overpayment..... \$44.50
Misc county fees \$59.50
Inmate Security Fund... \$86.00
LETfMunicipal..... \$78.00
Municipal Fines \$5029.50

ABATEMENTS AND ADDITIONS

Commission received for file additions No. 9038 through No. 9048 and abatements No. 2184 through No. 2194.

REPORT OF FEES

Commission reviewed monthly report of gross collections from Shawn Schlottach, Collector for the month of July 2021 in the amount of \$50,503.08.

ADJOURN

Commissioner Jerry Lairmore made a motion to adjourn commission until Aug. 19, 2021. Presiding Commissioner Larry Miskel seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.